

TUESDAY, December 17, 1816.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of the rector of St. John's parish in Harford and Baltimore counties; the bill, entitled, An act authorising a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of completing a school-house and purchasing church bells in the town of Boonsborough in Washington county; the bill, entitled, An additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act to straighten and amend the several public roads in several counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned; and the resolution in favour of William Niblet, a revolutionary soldier, were sent to the senate.

Mr. Prather delivers a bill, entitled, An act to authorise the drawing of a lottery in Allegany county; which was read.

Mr. Potts delivers a petition from Mountjoy Bayly, a revolutionary officer, praying compensation for the donation of land to which he is entitled by virtue of the acts of the general assembly of Maryland; which was read and referred to Messrs. Potts, Hambleton and Callis.

Mr. Hambleton delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of the eastern shore of Maryland, praying relief relative to the practice of kidnapping free negroes by persons residing in distant states; which was read and referred to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.

Mr. Kell delivers memorials from the grand jury of Baltimore county, and from the society of people called Friends, and a petition from sundry inhabitants of Baltimore, praying relief relative to the practice of kidnapping free negroes by persons residing in distant states; which were severally read and referred to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.

Mr. W. Stewart delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Baltimore, praying that a law may pass for opening Addison-street in the said city; which was read and referred to Messrs. W. Stewart, Harryman and Kell.

The speaker laid before the house a report from the clerk of Montgomery county court, relative to the attendance of the judges; which was read and referred to the committee of grievances and courts of justice.

Mr. Kell delivers a petition from Amella Booth, praying for a divorce; which was read and referred to Messrs. Kell, W. Stewart and Harrison.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from John Bioren, William J. Duane, and Roger C. Weightman, praying that they may be authorised to furnish the state with copies of the new edition of the laws of the United States now printing by them; which was read and referred to Messrs. Potts, Callis and Mitchell.

Mr. Handy delivers a bill, entitled, A supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the benefit of the heirs of John Stevens, deceased, of Worcester county; which was read the first and second time by special order, passed, and sent to the senate.

Mr. Horrell delivers a petition from the justices of the levy court of Calvert county, praying that they may be authorised to borrow a sum of money for the purpose of rebuilding or repairing the court house in said county, or to build a new one, and to levy the sum so borrowed on the assessable property of said county; which was read and referred to Messrs. Horrell, Turner and Chew.

Mr. Tomlinson delivers a petition from the heirs of John Jonas, late of Allegany county, deceased, praying for the sale of the real estate of the said John Jonas; which was read and referred to Messrs. Tomlinson, Prather and Ridgely.

On motion by Mr. Lecompte, the following order was read and adopted:

Ordered, That Messrs. Lecompte, Bowles, Hambleton, Harrison, and Dennis, be a committee to report what measures, if any, are proper to be adopted in relation to the deficiency of state funds which appears in the report of the committee of claims; and also to examine and report the amount of loans received by the treasurer of the western shore, under the authority of the legislature, which became due in eighteen hundred and seventeen, and in what manner the same can be settled.

On motion by Mr. Lecompte, Ordered, That the letter from the treasurer of the western shore covering letters from the presidents of the Bank of Baltimore, and Farmers Bank of Maryland, relative to the payment of the loan made by said banks to the state, be referred to Messrs. Lecompte, Bowles, Hambleton, Harrison and Dennis.

Mr. Kell delivers a petition from Job Smith, and others, of the city of Baltimore, praying for the extension of Pine-street from Fayette-street to Baltimore-street; which was read and referred to Messrs. Warner, Kell and Harryman. Also a petition from Robert Casey, and Elizabeth his wife, of the said city, praying that a law may pass appointing her the said Elizabeth, trustee for the purpose of completing the trust contained in an indenture executed by John Hammond, late of Baltimore county, deceased, to John Anderson, now deceased; which was read and referred to Messrs. Kell, W. Stewart and Harryman.

Mr. Hart delivers a bill, entitled, An act for the benefit of certain devisees of William Insley, late of Worcester county, deceased; which was read.

Mr. Bradford delivers a petition from sundry inhabitants of Harford county, praying that a law may pass straighten, lay out, amend, and make public, the road from the Black Horse Tavern in said county to the public road leading from the Black House to William Nelson's mill, where it intersects said road at the east corner of William Amos's orchard; which was read and referred to Messrs. Bradford, Glenn and Sewell.

Mr. Dennis delivers a petition from William Fleming and Joseph W. Heath, of Somerset county, praying that some person may be authorised to execute to him a deed of conveyance for certain property purchased by him of Joshua Fleming, deceased; which was read and referred to Messrs. Dennis, Carroll and Haynie.

Mr. Haynie delivers a petition from Isaac Harris, Josiah W. Heath, and William Coston, of Somerset county, praying that the administrator of John Stevens, deceased, may be authorised to execute to them a deed of conveyance for certain property purchased by them of the said John Stevens; which was read and referred to Messrs. Haynie, Carroll and Dennis.

Mr. Carroll delivers a petition from Josiah W. Heath, of Somerset county, praying that a deed executed by Littleton Harrison to him may be made valid; which was read and referred to Messrs. Carroll, Dennis and Long.